

Honorable James T. McIntyre
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Mr. McIntyre:

This submits proposed legislation in accordance with Office of Management and Budget Circular No. A-19, revised. Enclosed are six copies of a draft bill, "To provide death gratuity benefits for CIA employees." Also enclosed are copies of a sectional analysis, cost analysis, changes in existing law and drafts of the letters of transmittal to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Overseas service is becoming increasingly more hazardous for all U.S. Government employees. Central Intelligence Agency personnel share these risks. However, unlike employees of other U.S. agencies who are similarly situated, CIA personnel are not covered by any general death gratuity benefits if they die as a result of injuries sustained in the performance of their official duties.

Dependents of State Department employees, for example, receive a gratuity in the amount of one year's salary. Eligible survivors of Defense Department employees are entitled to six months pay which cannot be less than \$800 and not more than \$3,000. The proposed legislation is designed to achieve equity for CIA employees in this respect.

The bill would amend the CIA Act of 1949, as amended, and would thereby permit the Director of Central Intelligence to authorize the payment of a gratuity in the amount of one year's salary to dependents of CIA employees who die as a result of injuries sustained in the performance of duties outside the United States or who are declared dead under the provisions of the Missing Persons Act.

Your advice is requested as to whether there is any objection to the submission of the proposed legislation to the Congress from the standpoint of the Administration's program.

Sincerely.

Stansfield Turner

Enclosures



Washington, D.C. 20505

Honorable Walter F. Mondale
President of the Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. President:

This letter transmits for the consideration of the Congress a draft bill to amend the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, as amended, "To authorize the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency to provide for payment of a death gratuity to CIA employees."

Overseas service is becoming more hazardous for all United States Government employees. CIA personnel share these risks. Indeed, they are an especially attractive target for terrorist groups and extremist organizations.

Employees of other U.S. agencies who are similarly situated presently are covered by a death gratuity. Dependents of State Department employees who die as a result of injuries sustained in the performance of duties outside the U.S., for example, receive a gratuity in the amount of one year's salary. Eligible survivors of Defense Department employees are entitled to six months pay which cannot be less than \$800 and not more than \$3000.

The proposed legislation is designed to achieve equity for CIA employees in this respect. It amends the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, as amended, and would permit the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency to authorize the payment of a gratuity in the amount of one year's salary to dependents of CIA employees who die as a result of injuries sustained in the performance of duties outside the United States or who are declared dead under the provisions of the Missing Persons Act.

I urge Congress to give timely and favorable consideration to this legislation. The Office of Management and Budget has advised that there is no objection to presenting the proposed bill to the Congress from the standpoint of the Administration's program.

Sincerely,

Director

Enclosure

LETTER TO SPEAKER OF HOUSE--SAME AS LETTER TO PRESIDENT OF SENATE
MONDALE.

SECTIONAL ANALYSIS AND EXPLANATION

The draft bill adds a new subsection (c) to Section 8 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, as amended, and authorizes payment of a death gratuity to certain dependents of CIA employees. The major provisions of the amendment are as follows:

1. Dependents of CIA staff employees or CIA staff agents who die as a result of injuries sustained in the performance of duty outside the United States or who are declared dead under the provisions of the Missing Persons Act, 5 U.S.C. 5565 will receive a Death Gratuity Benefit. Dependents are defined as (a) widow or widower; (b) child or children if there is no widow or widower; and (c) dependent parent or parents if there is no widow, widower or child. No payment will be made in cases where none of the above described persons exist.
2. The payment will be equal to one year's salary of the employee at time of death.
3. Survivors are eligible for the payment of a death gratuity only provided the survivors are entitled to elect monthly compensation under section 8133 of Title 5, United States Code.
4. The benefit will apply to deaths occurring on or after January 1, 1979.

* ON AUTHORIZATION BILL

COST ANALYSIS

The proposed new subsection 8(c) of the CIA Act of 1949, as amended, is estimated to cost upon enactment _____. This would cover gratuities to the dependents of _____ former Agency employees who either dies as a result of injuries sustained in the performance of duty outside the United States, or were declared dead under the provisions of the Missing Persons Act since _____.

Over the past _____ years deaths of Agency employees, which would have entitled their dependents to a gratuity had the proposed legislation been applicable during that period, ranged from (none) in 19 ____ (70) and 19 ____ (73) to a high of _____ (seven) in 19 ____ (68), and averaged _____ annually. Annual costs would have ranged from _____ to an estimated \$ _____ in 19 _____.

Future estimated cost of the proposed legislation, based on the foregoing data and current salary levels would average about \$ _____ annually.

COST SUMMARY (Thousands of Dollars)

<u>Upon Enactment</u>	<u>1979</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1981</u>	<u>1982</u>	<u>1983</u>
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW

Changes in existing law made by the draft bill are shown as follows: existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman; existing law proposed to be omitted is enclosed in brackets; and new matter is underscored.

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY ACT OF 1949, As Amended
(50 U.S.C. 403a-j)

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APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 8. (c)

Put in Amendment language--all underscored.

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